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of the former land governments are not identical with those mentioned in paragraph 1 of the present report.

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The HVDVP, whose chief was Generalinspekteur Karl Laron, was assigned to the Ministry of the Interior. Beside the units mentioned, the land police agencies and the transportation police were assigned to the HVDVP. In mid-July 1952, the Main Department Grenzpolizei (border police) was transferred from the HVDVP to the Ministry for State Security. The border police was commanded by Chefinspekteur Smorla (fnu). \*\*

4. The administration of the guard battalions of the HVDVP is delegated within the HVDVP as follows: operational matters, Main Department Schutzpolizei, headed by Chefinspekteur Konrad Strodger; personnel matters, Main Department for Personnel Administration, headed by Chefinspekteur Richard Wenzel; political matters, Main Department Politikultur, headed by Chefinspekteur Herbert Gruenstein; supply, Main Department of Supplies, headed by Chefinspekteur Alfred Glaser; and technical affairs, Main Department of Technical Services.
5. The companies of the Guard Battalion Berlin of the HVDVP were stationed as follows: the 1st and 3d Cos in a cantonment on Buchholzer Strasse; the 2d Co in the former guest house of the HVDVP on Buchholzer Strasse; and the 4th Co in the building of the Main Department Grenzpolizei at 31 Heinrich Mann Strasse.\*\*\*

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\* Comment. This information confirms Guard Regt A of the Ministry for State Security quartered on Rudower Chaussee and commanded by Inspekteur Engelbrecht (fnu). The information that special battalions of the Ministry for State Security which are stationed at the seats of the former land governments are also assigned to this regiment is received for the first time. Since April 1952, the personnel strength of the Berlin elements of this regiment has been increased by about 400 percent. This development indicates that a corps of interior security police is being organized.

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\*\* Comment. This statement confirms previous information according to which the Main Administration for Border Police in the Ministry for State Security is headed by Chefinspekteur Smorla (fnu). Smorla is probably identical with Richard Smorlitz, formerly commander of VPD Grossenhain.

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\*\*\* Comment. The statements on the HVDVP and the Guard Battalion Berlin, which is stationed in the Grosse Rampe Camp on Buchholzer Strasse in Wieferschoenhagen, are confirmed. Commanding officer of this guard battalion is VP Kommandeur Ringel (fnu).

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